

BIG SANDY NEWS.

FRIDAY, FEB. 5, 1904.

Valentines at Conley's store.

The ground hog saw his shadow if he came out.

Men's hats 44c to \$2.24 at the Louisa Bargain Store.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Homer A. Scholze, a fine daughter.

Valentines of all kinds, both fancy and comic, at Conley's store.

Conley has a new line of box paper in white, cream and gray.

For good solid leather shoes at \$1.39 go to the Louisa Bargain Store.

Our line of furnishing goods beats them all. The Louisa Bargain Store.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Role Estep, of Buchanan, on the 4th inst., a son.

The Louisa Bargain Store is the place to get all wool suits for \$5. Extra line \$11.98.

Don't fail to see the King of Black Cork Vaudeville Co. at Masonic Opera House.

Miss Nellie Conley has gone to Canton, Ohio, where she expects to remain three months.

U. S. G. Pigg, age 25, and Miss Rachel Ratcliff, 16, were married this week at R. F. Ratcliff's.

Messrs. Alexander Lackey and G. L. Hazzlett are still confined to their homes, but are better.

Miss Sarah Hays is steadily recovering from the severe operation which she underwent last week.

Nothing in Louisa to equal our line of ladies dress patterns from \$1c to \$6.48. The Louisa Bargain Store.

Billie Riffe was called to Huntington yesterday by the illness of his brother Charles Riffe, who has pneumonia.

P. E. Jahraus, of the merchant tailoring firm of Isaac, Schwartz & Co., is here taking orders for spring clothing.

Mrs. Sam Pigg, of Torchlight, held No. 355, the lucky ticket that got the fine range given away by W. N. Sullivan.

Elwood and Borg Kinner, prosperous young merchants of Greenup and Kinner, respectively, were in Louisa yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Stringfellow returned to Whitehouse Saturday from Ironton, where the latter has been in the hospital.

Mrs. H. C. Sammons was called to Drugg, W. Va., last week by a message announcing the death of her sister, Mrs. Lat Copple.

Insurance with Wallace. Fire Insurance a specialty. Policies issued on the spot. Office at residence opposite Baptist Church.

Theodore Johnson has purchased the store of Jack Collinsworth, at Fuller station and is putting in a select stock of general merchandise.

You will be sorry if you miss seeing the King of Black Cork Vaudeville Co. at Masonic Opera House Friday and Saturday evening, Feb. 5th and 6th.

M. J. Webb was called to Louisa last Saturday by the serious illness of a friend—Greenup Democrat.

She is better now.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Carey treated them to a "house warming" Saturday evening, at which a number of nice presents were bestowed.

Get our prices on hay, corn, oats, chop, bran and chicken feed before buying elsewhere. Quality the best prices the lowest.

Big Sandy Feed Co.

A man named Hite, from Virginia, was killed by a falling derrick on the C. & O. railroad work up Lewis. The body was taken to Ashland by special train Sunday.

Great reduction in men's and boys' overcoats. Almost at your own price. We are determined to make prices sell them in mid winter and not carry over one.

A. J. Loar & Co.

The King of Black Cork Vaudeville Company will appear at the Opera House in Louisa on Friday and Saturday nights of this week. Prices 25c and 35c. Advance sale of seats now on at Conley's store.

We are requested by Mrs. Mary Sweetnam and son Dr. J. W., and also by Robt. Burchett and Dixon, Moore & Co., to extend their thanks to all those who assisted in saving their property during the fire of last Sunday morning.

Robt. Burchett has rented the store room between the Brunswick Hotel and James livery building and will use it for clothing out his stock of gree rice. He had increased his stock just before the fire and has a fine lot of goods. This is a chance to get bargains in what you need every day.

FIRE IN LOUISA.

C. & O. Passenger Station and Adjacent Store Building Burned.

At 2:30 on last Sunday morning the people of Louisa were suddenly aroused by the hideous cry of "fire" and the loud clanging of the church bells. The response was prompt and almost unanimous, as usual, and everybody ran to the C. & O. passenger depot, where the flames had secured a good hold before being discovered. The fire evidently was started near the large doors in the portion formerly used for freight storage. When it was seen that there was no chance to save the depot building, all efforts were directed toward the protection of the office and store building of F. T. D. Wallace, the wholesale grocery house of Dixon, Moore & Co., and the residence of Mrs. Mary Sweetnam. In spite of all that could be done, Mr. Wallace's building was destroyed, including a large number of law books, &c. that were in the second story. The lower part was used by Robt. Burchett for a grocery store, and nearly all of his goods were saved. Mr. Wallace had no insurance, having allowed it to expire last October because the rate was raised to an exorbitant figure. He had kept it insured for about 22 years. His loss is about \$1500.

The wholesale grocery building was considerably damaged, and only a hard fight prevented its destruction. Mrs. Sweetnam's residence was scorched. Nothing was saved from the depot. All records were burned. The Adams Express Company lost quite heavily, all undelivered express packages being destroyed. Their safe withstood the fire and the contents were all right. In the freight room were stored the household goods of James Ball, who recently moved from here to Portsmouth.

The only theory we have heard advanced as to the origin of the fire is that some one probably broke into the express room in search of liquor, and either maliciously or accidentally started the fire.

As has been the case with all fires in Louisa in recent years there was not the slightest breeze blowing during the fire, else the results would doubtless have been much more serious. On both the previous and the following nights at the same hour the wind was blowing a gale.

The flames spoke more eloquently and effectively for water works than all arguments that have been used.

The express office in Ashland was destroyed by fire on Sunday night. Between the two fires there are a number of Louisa express packages missing.

R. C. McClure, the Supervisor of the Gila River Forest Reserve, was handsomely remembered during the Christmas season by the rangers on the reserve who presented him with a gold watch, chain and charm. The charm consists of a square plate of gold containing the U. S. monogram in the National colors and the legend, "Compliments U. S. Forest rangers" and the names, R. B. Wade, T. S. Meagher Jr., E. E. Higgins, Charles D. McGone, John Mundy, John Keer, George F. Williams, L. H. Moorman, A. H. Douglas and J. A. Click. The present betokens the high esteem in which Mr. McClure is held by the rangers and to say that the supervisor is delighted with the gift is putting it modestly.—Silver City (N. M.) Enterprise.

A. C. Pigg has arranged to engage in the lumber business here in such away as will supply the local demand at the prevailing market prices and save them not only the freight but the time and delays which now greatly hinder them. Orders for special work will also be filled promptly and on the same basis as above mentioned. This will prove quite an aid to the builders.

Miss Ruby, daughter of C. W. Diamond, was taken to Cincinnati this week to enter a hospital for the treatment of a broken shoulder, from which she has been suffering for several weeks. It is a complicated case, but we hope she will be speedily restored. Her brother, Dr. E. B. Diamond, came here from Cincinnati and accompanied her to the hospital.

Fire at Whitehouse.

Fire destroyed the residence and store of J. N. Meek at Whitehouse yesterday, causing a considerable loss. The fire is said to have started from a defective flue. A portion of the contents of the building was saved. Mr. Meek is a good citizen and deserves the sympathy he is receiving.

Samuel B. Vinson died Tuesday at the home of Wm. Peters, in Wayne county, W. Va. He was injured a short time ago by a street car in Washington City. Mr. Vinson recently returned from the state of Washington, where he lived several years and was prominent in business and political circles.

As to a New Depot.

Concerning the matter of the location and material of a new railway depot for Louisa the News has this to say:

This city has become a place of no small importance, viewed from the standpoint of business. Only a short while ago a mixed train, often with only a combination baggage and passenger coach to accommodate the passenger traffic, left Whitehouse in the morning and tried to get back before midnight of the same day. Passengers for and from Louisa often filled this coach, and as the twenty or more business houses got their goods by rail it is not difficult to realize how much freight came to this town daily. Both freight and passenger traffic have grown enormously—so much so that a freight depot has been built to accommodate the increasing business. The necessity for a passenger depot is admitted, and it seems to the News that in view of all the facts, the company should rebuild on the old site. If a central location is needed it would be difficult to find a spot nearer not only the geographical but the business center of the town. The News understands that the railway company has a ninety-nine year lease on the ground occupied by the old depot. Why, then, should it surrender the lease and go blocks away from the business part of the town to build another depot?

The material for a new building is of minor importance to us, but with water works almost in sight, with all this means to a passenger depot, it certainly appears to the News that a modern brick or stone structure on the site of the burned building, with a waiting room for ladies from which pipes, cigars and undesirable humanity are barred, is just the thing to favorably commend itself to President Stevens and his associates.

WATER WORKS.

City Council Promptly Does Its Duty in the Matter.

The City Council played to a "packed house" last Tuesday night. Water works was the question that brought them out. It was known that the Council would be asked to take the first step toward granting a franchise and contract. A. J. Garred read a paper covering the points in the franchise desired. This was drawn by a committee of citizens, who endeavored to protect the rights of both the citizens and the water company. The Council voted unanimously to sell a franchise on that basis. The details of the proposed contract can not be given here now, owing to their length.

While we are compelled to confess that the prospects for water works are not nearly so bright as they were last week, we still have hope that some arrangement may yet be made which will give us this important service. Every public spirited citizen will, we believe, make a sacrifice for it.

At the same meeting the City Council elected H. C. Sullivan City Attorney. Mr. Sullivan is a capable lawyer, successful in practice, and a good prosecutor.

Quick Settlement of Insurance.

How's this for quick settlement? Fire Sunday.

Loss adjusted Monday. Loss paid Wednesday.

Louisa, Ky., Feb. 2nd, 1904.—Received of F. T. D. Wallace Jr., agent Aetna and Hartford Fire Insurance Companies \$108.34 being in full settlement as their proportion of loss and damage, to stock, sustained by fire Jan. 31, 1904.

The settlement is entirely satisfactory to use.

Many thanks for promptness.

Dixon Moore & Co.

Triplets Born in Lawrence.

Caleb Arthur, who lives on East Fork, and was formerly a resident of Louisa, has been presented by his wife with a fine set of triplets. About two years ago Mrs. Arthur gave birth to twins. All of the five children are boys. The entire family seems to be enjoying the best of health, notwithstanding. This remarkable record has hardly any parallel in this county heretofore, so far as is known to the writer. Mrs. Arthur was formerly Miss Nellie Riffe.

NEW PREMIUM OFFER.

Big Sandy News Will Distribute More Gifts Among Its Subscribers.

On Feb. 25th, 1904, we will distribute the following five premiums:

1. Lady's or Gent's Fine Watch and Chain.
2. Sewing Machine.
3. Latest Webster's International Dictionary, price \$12.50; or 15-volume set, Chas. Dickens' works, bound in cloth; or 12-volume set Sir Walter Scott's Waverley novels.
4. One set each of Rogers Bros. silver knives, forks and tea spoons.
5. Fancy \$10 enameled iron clock, 8-day.

Cleanliness prevents rust; the best cared for machines last the longest.

"MODERN MANHOOD."

Lecture to be Delivered Here Next Thursday Night.

Rev. S. A. Donahoe will lecture at the Masonic Opera House in Louisa next Thursday night, Feb. 11th. His subject will be "Modern Manhood." This is the lecture that is so highly spoken of wherever it has been heard. We are glad to announce that the Louisa people are to have a chance to hear the lecture. Remember the date and don't fail to hear this able speaker. Admission 25c. Children under eight, free.

The following endorsements will be read with interest. Rev. Shannon is a native of Louisa, and Dr. Hill is a distinguished divine and lecturer, who commands large audiences and high prices on the lecture platform:

"Having heard and read some of the lectures on the platform today, I consider the lecture of Rev. S. A. Donahoe on 'Modern Manhood' equal to the best. It abounds with eloquence, sparkling with wit, glows with enthusiasm, and above all else, throbs with the life-beat of a high moral tone."

It can not fail to inspire, stimulate and ennoble all who hear it."

F. F. Shannon, Harrisburg, Pa.

"The lecture of the Rev. S. A. Donahoe on 'Modern Manhood,' is a marvel of philosophy, eloquence and common sense. It should be given right of way on every lecture platform in the country. J. Wesley Hill, D. D. Pastor Grace M. E. Church, Harrisburg, Pa."

No. 7110.

Treasury Department—Office of the Comptroller of the Currency.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 27, 1904.

WHEREAS, BY SATISFACTORY evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that "The First National Bank of Louisa" located in the City of Louisa, in the County of Lawrence, and State of Kentucky, has complied with all the provisions of the Statutes of the United States, required to be complied with before an association shall be authorized to commence the business of Banking;

Now, therefore, I, Thomas P. Kane, Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that "The First National Bank of Louisa" located in the City of Louisa, in the County of Lawrence, and State of Kentucky, is authorized to commence the business of Banking as provided in section fifty one hundred and sixty nine of the Revised Statutes of the United States. Conversion of the Bank of Louisa.

In testimony whereof witness my hand and Seal of office this twenty-seventh day of January, 1904.

T. P. Kane, Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency.

THE LOUISA NATIONAL BANK.

No. 7122.

Treasury Department.

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 3, 1904.

WHEREAS, BY SATISFACTORY evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that "The Louisa National Bank" located in the City of Louisa, in the County of Lawrence, and State of Kentucky, has complied with all the provisions of the Statutes of the United States required to be complied with before an association shall be authorized to commence the business of banking;

Now, therefore, I, William B. Riddell, Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that "The Louisa National Bank" located in the City of Louisa, in the County of Lawrence, State of Kentucky, is authorized to commence the business of banking as provided in section fifty one hundred and sixty nine of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

In testimony whereof witness my hand and seal of office this third day of February, 1904.

Wm. B. Riddell, Comptroller of the Currency.

WILBUR.

The revival at Sturgill's Chapel is being carried on by Rev. Walker.

Rev. Sord filled his regular appointment at this place Sunday.

Jay Adams and wife of Georges Creek, visited relatives on Hood last week.

Proctor Sturgill has returned home from Oakesville, Ky., where he has been visiting his brother, Bascom Sturgill.

J. L. O'Brien is at home from Carboon, W. Va., for a brief stay.

Mrs. J. H. Sturgill is no better.

Mrs. Della Travis has been quite sick for a few weeks.

Master L. B. Carter, of Blaine, was here this week.

Borg, to Chas. Ross and wife, a fine boy, named Beckham.

Mrs. J. S. Osborn, of Cordell, with her two daughters, was calling on her father and mother Sunday.

Death of Dr. G. W. Murray.

Another of Louisa's oldest citizens has been called from earth. Dr. George W. Murray passed away yesterday morning at 8:15. His death was the result of paralysis, of which he has had several attacks during the past two or three years.

The funeral will occur from the residence Friday at one o'clock, standard time. The body will be laid to rest in Pine Hill Cemetery. Rev. Dr. J. M. Boland will conduct the services. The Odd Fellows will have charge of the burial.

Deceased would have been 78 years old next June. He had lived in Louisa 42 years. A wife, one son and two daughters survive. The son is Albert and the daughters are Mrs. Harry Lawson, of Williamson, W. Va., and Mrs. Chas. Salyers, of this place. Dr. Murray was a member of the United Baptist Church at Inez, Ky. He joined the L. O. O. F. in 1872, and was the oldest member of the Louisa Lodge. He was a Captain in a branch of the U. S. service in the Civil war. Soon after the war he engaged in the general merchandising business, but later devoted himself entirely to the practice of medicine. Dr. Murray was a quiet, thrifty, substantial citizen. Condolence is extended to his family.

A Life Sentence.

In Boyd Circuit Court at Catlettsburg John Bowman was found guilty of attempted burglary and shooting with intent to kill, as an accomplice of Wm. Gill in their escape at the home of Hon. Mardecel Williams, at Normal, on the night of September 7th and was sentenced to life imprisonment in the state penitentiary. Bowman was given this sentence under the habitual criminal law. His pal Gill, pleaded guilty last Saturday and was sent up for fifteen years.

This is the fifth time Bowman has been sent to the penitentiary, four times from Boyd county and once from Bath. A coincidence in the case is the fact that one year ago when he was arraigned on the present charge, he was tried and sentenced to the penitentiary.

Bowman and Gill are the two men arrested by Simon Bartlett and others near Richardson for burglarizing Dutch Williams' house and stealing two horses from John Jerns, at this place. They were troublesome prisoners.

MATTIE.

There has been lots of moving in the last week or so in our neighborhood. R. M. Berry traded places with his son, Dave, and both have moved. W. H. C. Moore has moved to Georges Creek. Also, Bill Hays moved to Georges Creek, and B. F. Hays into the house vacated by Bill George Caudle will move in a few days.

A small child of Genoa Hays departed this life on the 30th. The bereaved mother has the sympathy of all.

Rev. W. H. C. McKinstler brought his new wife home on the 27th ult. She was welcomed by all.

W. T. Moore got hurt very badly on the 23rd while grinding A. L. Moore's saw, the emery wheel bursting and one piece hitting him in the forehead fracturing his skull and cutting a place about two and one-half inches to the skull. Dr. J. O. Moore his brother thinks the wound is not serious.

Peter Robinet and wife have dissolved partnership again.

Colonel Ward and Pharoah Childers are visiting friends and relatives on the Sand Branch at this writing. Also, Mrs. Jeff Ball is visiting at E. J. Moore's at present.

We are having two good Sunday Schools near Mattie this winter one at 10 o'clock the other one at 2 p.m. Come one and all.

Mrs. H. B. Higginer is visiting her parents, R. T. Thompson and wife, at this writing.

Mrs. Lou Moore has been very sick of late.

Webster Poe has been visiting his father recently.

J. D. Moore (Mink) is talking of moving back to Columbus in the spring.

Nie McGuire was on our creek the other day branding ticks for some of the boys.

Jeff Ball looks very sad yet but he won't say it is because Berry moved off.

Misses Gracie Moore and Maggie McComis, of Mattie, are attending school at Charley this winter.

2 Boys.

PERSONALS.

Mrs. Fannie Wade visited in Ashland this week.

J. F. Ratcliff, wholesale grocer, of Huntington, was here yesterday.

Miles Miller, of Canal Winchester, O., is here the guest of his brother Clyde.

Dr. G. N. Waldeck, of Central City, W. Va., was here Friday to see his mother.

T. J. Davis and wife, of Cincinnati, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Vinson Sunday and Monday.

Chas. Russell and family, of Ashland, came up Saturday night to visit Col. Northup and family.

Cravanette Rain Coats

Are Porous to Air but Rain-Tight.

- "No rubber, no odor, no perspiration."
- "Will not over-heat and render you liable to take cold; will not induce perspiration."
- "Will keep you warm in cold weather, cool in hot weather and always dry in wet weather."
- "Useful, comfortable, dressy, stylish, indispensable."
- "Just what you need for all outing purposes and general wear in stormy weather."
- "Correct at all times and for all occasions."
- "Protection when raining, not a burden when the sun shines later, almost feather-weight when carried over the arm, ample protection and good form over evening clothes."
- If you need anything in this line call and examine our Cravanettes and other rain coats; also a nice line of

OVERCOATS.

G. W. Gannell

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. E. W. Grove. Seven Million boxes sold in past 12 months. This signature, E. W. Grove.

Cures Croup in Two Days. on every box 25c.

These Long Winter Evenings

Are most pleasantly and profitably passed in reading. We have a line of books covering all tastes. Prices from 10 cents to \$2.50. You will be surprised at the variety and cheapness of the best class of reading matter offered here. All the magazines and periodicals.

Weddings, Birthdays, Anniversaries.

Gifts for all these and other occasions are found in our lines of silver, fancy goods, china, cut glass, jewelry, standard sets and handsome edition of books, musical instruments, etc.

In The Watch Business Heavier Than Ever.

A fellow who could not find something to suit him in the line of time-pieces we now have, would certainly be possessed of queer notions. All sizes, all grades. Our prices are keeping the watch stock on the move. We can get an extra discount if we sell enough watches within a year, and in order to get this we are sacrificing part of the profit usually obtained by dealers.

GOOD RAZOR STROPS—Have you ever had trouble in finding a good razor strop?

We have them up to \$1.25 each, and they are fine. You know, a sharp razor is necessary to an easy shave, and a good strop makes a sharp razor. Moral; buy a good strop and quit swearing.

OTHER THINGS—The rest of our story is tablets, paper, ink, pencils, pocket books, spectacles, blank books, school books, etc.

CONLEY'S STORE.

<p>CHESTNUT.</p> <p>Jack Childers has sold store boat to Mr. Ratcliff from Georges Creek.</p> <p>Frank Preston is moving from Prestonsburg here.</p> <p>John R. Preston is preparing to move to Cassville, W. Va.</p> <p>Bill Meeks, of Whitehouse, has moved to the mouth of Chestnut to keep a store boat.</p> <p>Elliott Williams is on the sick list.</p> <p>Isom Daniels' family has measles.</p> <p>The Ohio Furniture company has ceased work for a few days on account of cold weather.</p> <p>Chas. Vanhose family has measles.</p> <p>Joe Davis was here Sunday.</p> <p>Luther Murray and wife visited their grandfather Saturday and Sunday.</p> <p>Thursa Borders is visiting her sister Mary Auxier at Johns Creek.</p> <p>Jeff Stafford called on his best girl Sunday.</p> <p>Lizzie Vanhose visited Elliott Williams and wife last week.</p> <p>Albert George of Portsmouth, O., who has been visiting his brother here has returned home.</p> <p>Lizzie Brown visited Mrs. Samsome this week.</p> <p>Harry Fannin and wife visited their parents at Richardson Sunday.</p> <p>To Cure a Cold in One Day Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box 25 cents.</p>	<p>To Our Correspondents.</p> <p>We have received several letters for publication recently that were not accompanied by the name of the writer. Most of them were newsy and we disliked to omit them from our columns; but, as stated heretofore a few hundred times, we can not publish such letters. Unscrupulous persons often try to take advantage of us in this way, writing letters made up of false and hurtful statements. This is why we are compelled to have the author's name with each and every letter sent in. We do not publish the names, of course, but use fictitious signatures in the paper.</p> <p>The Offer is Free.</p> <p>The premium offer made by the BIG SANDY NEWS is absolutely free. The premiums represent a considerable outlay of cash, and the only advantage to us comes from the stimulation to collections, thus keeping our subscription list nearer up to the cash-in-advance plan. The maintenance and operation of the system by which a label showing your date is also somewhat expensive. This label shows the date to which your last payment carries your subscription. The time for distributing the premiums is in next month. Those who have not availed themselves of the offer should do so at once. It may bring you a handsome present. Look up the list in another column and see if it does not interest you.</p>	<p>Money for Jas. Carter.</p> <p>Trout, N. C., Dec. 31, 1903. Postmaster at Louisa, Ky.:</p> <p>Will you please inform me if there is any person there by the name of James Carter, who married a woman in North Carolina by the name of Elizabeth Hodgson? If so, please hand this to her. There is some money going to her from her mother's estate, sent from old England.</p> <p>Mrs. Sallie Vanover, age 79, is said to have been murdered by John Estes on Shelby Creek, Pike county. He owed her \$50 and she attached his property upon learning that he was preparing to move to Virginia. A lynching is expected.</p>
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Just Received

A CAR LOAD

OF NEW

FURNITURE.

Snyder Hardware

Company